



Christmas is everywhere!!!

Several groups and communities have Christmas events this weekend. Page 5&6

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Visit Santa and get a free toy

Kids can visit with Santa this Sunday, Dec. 18, at the multi-purpose building at First Baptist Church at 141 Main St. in Bay St. Louis.

Gifts for the kids of Pearlington

A group of students from the Pennsylvania College of Technology will be delivering a load of Christmas presents for children ages 15 and under. The event takes place on Christmas Eve, from 1-5 p.m., at the fire department.

SCOWI krewe to meet Friday

The Krewe of SCOWI will meet on Friday, Dec. 16, 6 p.m. at 134 Blaize Avenue in Bay St. Louis across from the Old Bay St. Louis Train Depot, between Bay City Grill and Benigno's. All members are urged to attend. For more information, call 228-209-6999.

Salvation Army meals to cease

The Salvation Army will cease serving meals in Hancock County on Dec. 15. This includes trucks and kitchens that serve all areas of the county.

Pearlington clinic closes 'til Jan. 2

The Pearlington Free Clinic will be temporarily closed so as to allow for the demolition in a safe manner. The Clinic will be closed from Dec. 23 until Jan. 2. It will reopen on Jan. 2 at 9 a.m.. The clinic will close permanently on June 30.

All I want for Christmas is my FEMA Trailer!

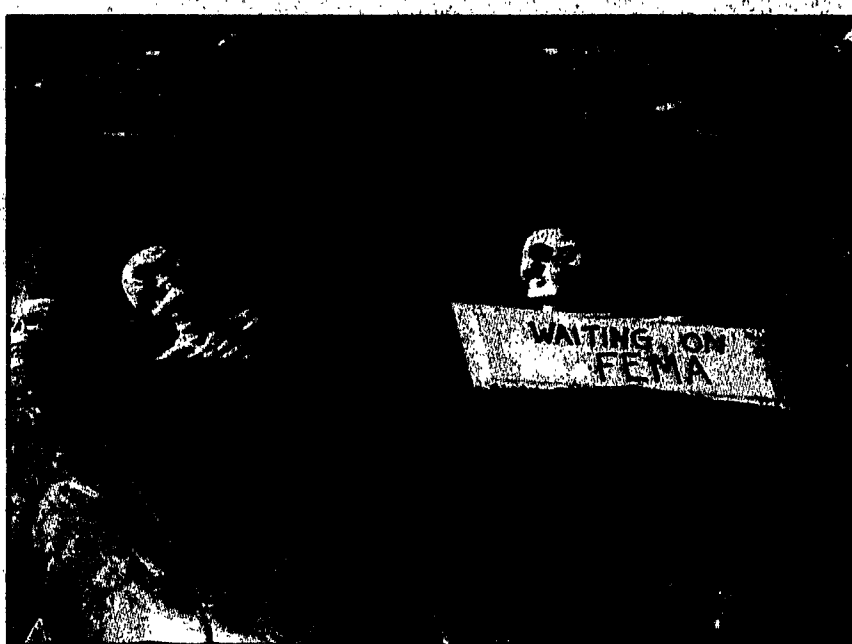


Echo staff photos by Dwayne Bremer
Gloria Smith stands amidst the wreckage that used to be her home at 408 Sears Ave. in Waveland. Below: Smith set up a "display" with some Halloween skeletons and her storm-ravaged car to illustrate her dissatisfaction with the current situation.

Widow just wants a home for the holidays

BY DWAYNE BREMER
Staff Writer

Gloria Smith and her neighbor C.J. McKinney sifted through what was left of Smith's home at 408 Sears Ave. in Waveland Tuesday, trying to find anything she could to remind her of a life she no longer has. Smith, a 70-year old widow, moved to Waveland nearly twenty years ago. Her home on Sears Ave. is just 300



yards from the beach, and only a slab remains at the site of her former home. Today, she is living with her grandson and his family in their crowded FEMA trailer in

Ocean Springs.
"It's so overwhelming, I'm just crushed," Smith said, trying to choke back tears.

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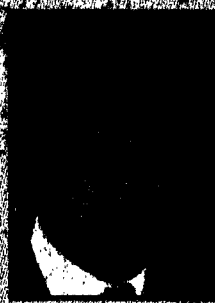
Echo staff photo by Dwayne Bremer
Cash, cocaine and drug paraphernalia confiscated by the Hancock Sheriff's Department in a drug raid at Bayside Park on Sunday.

Drug raid lands ten in lock-up

Group allegedly sold crack out of FEMA trailers

BY GEORGE BELCHER
News Editor

While some people on the post-Katrina Coast are having a hard time getting FEMA trailers, Hancock Sheriff Steve Garber said Monday that others who have received them are using at least two of them as drug dens. Late on Sunday evening, the Hancock Sheriff's Narcotics Division arrested 10 people who were allegedly selling narcotics out of two FEMA trailers placed side-by-side at West Jackson St. in Bayside Park.



Sheriff Steve Garber

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Historic Hancock Co. Courthouse to be saved

BY DWAYNE BREMER
Staff Writer

Prior to Aug. 29, the historic Hancock County Courthouse on Main St. in Bay St. Louis had been an important part of every day life since it was built in 1911. The courthouse was the center of

county operations. The chancery court, circuit court, district attorney's office, as well as county payroll and book-keeping were located within the three-story building. The building suffered

COURTHOUSE--PAGE 11



Despite the rumors to the contrary, the county will repair the historic Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis. There is just as yet no timeline for the repairs.

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Early Christmas



Echo staff photos by Geoff Belcher
Students at Waveland Elementary line up for toys Monday when volunteers from Queen Anne's County, Md. and Wauseon, Oh. pull up with a caravan of Christmas gifts.

Maryland, Ohio groups bring gifts to Hancock

BY GEOFF
BELCHER
News Editor

Christmas came early for Hancock County's children on Monday thanks to a group of volunteers from Queen Anne's County, Maryland and the city of Wauseon, Oh.

The groups loaded more than 700 wrapped Christmas gifts in three trailers — along with clothing and other supplies for area children and 10 computers for area schools— and brought them more than

1,500 miles to Waveland and Gulfview Elementary schools.

Queen Anne's County "adopted" Hancock County after Hurricane Katrina. Queen Anne's County extension agent Paul Gunther helped organize the effort.

Pastors Dan and Debbie Southern, of the Centreville Community Church in Queen Anne County led the caravan.

"We're just happy to be a part of this," Dan Southern said on Monday. "It's unbelievable what the folks down

here have been through."

According to the Record Observer, Queen Anne's County's local newspaper, "The idea for the toy drive formed when Rep. Gene Taylor accepted a \$43,825 Check from QAC Cares at the Queen Anne's County Harvest Breakfast on Nov. 18. His speech and description of the devastation left by Hurricane Katrina touched those attending the breakfast, and they were inspired to do more."



Pastor Dan Southern of Centreville Community Church hands presents to children at Waveland Elementary on Monday.

NOTICE TO BAY ST. LOUIS UTILITY CUSTOMERS

The city utility bill you will receive this December will reflect two months (Oct. and Nov.) minimum usage for WATER ONLY. This will put the city utility department back to its pre-Katrina meter reading schedule.

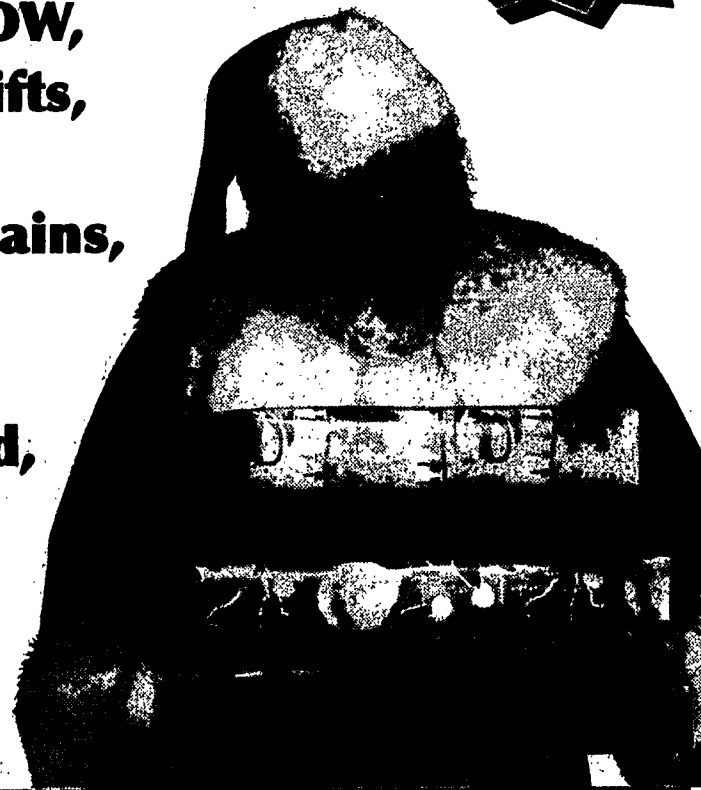
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One beach to another



Echo staff photo by Geoff Belcher
Volunteers from the city of North Myrtle Beach, S.C., delivered a truckload of bicycles and other gifts for Hancock County's children and distributed them at Bay High School on Monday. Pictured are, from left, Lyndall Bilbo, secretary at Waveland Elementary; Wanda White of North Myrtle Beach; Joel Davis, assistant city manager for North Myrtle Beach; Tammy Ellington, a local parent; Waveland Elementary Principal Rebecca Ladner; and local parent Kim Boesch. "It's been an extreme joy for us to do this," Davis said on Monday. "We've thoroughly enjoyed doing it. Davis said the delivery was actually Phase II of North Myrtle Beach's plans to help the hurricane-ravaged Gulf Coast. During Phase I, he said, the city sent crews down to help restore, repair and install water and sewer infrastructure at Buccaneer State Park.

C.G. search for missing shrimper now suspended

The Coast Guard suspended its active search Tuesday evening for a Pensacola, Fla., native who was a deckhand onboard a shrimp boat, which reportedly had a collision with another vessel in Pass Marianne early Sunday morning.

Coast Guard search crews from Air Station New Orleans, Air Station Mobile, Ala., Station Dauphin Island and the Cutter Razorbill searched more than 188.25 square miles for Julius M. Cusitas. Also assisting in the search was the Harrison County Sheriff's Office.

Coast Guard Sector New Orleans was noti-

fied at about 6:15 a.m. by the crew of the 60-foot towing vessel Scat, that they were involved in a collision with the anchored Johnny T. Kiet. 56 feet in length, in the pass about eight miles south of Bay St. Louis, Miss. Another boater aboard the shrimp boat who also entered the water was recovered at 1 p.m. Sunday by the towboat crew. Cusitas was not wearing a personal flotation device at the time of the collision.

"Our deepest sympathy goes out to the friends and family for their loss," said Coast Guard Capt. Frank Paskewich.

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The MLA Board voted to adopt a "sister" library in the community of Pearlington, Mississippi. Marion Francis, AACPL Administrator and a Mississippi native, is chairing the committee in charge of this effort. The group includes representatives from public, academic and special libraries and media specialists from public school systems.

Cash and donations from library systems, corporations and the general public were sought to refurbish the vehicle and outfit it with computers, books and other materials residents of Pearlington and the surrounding communities.

More information on the mobile unit or the Hancock County Library System is available by calling 228-467-5282.

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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

The city of Bayland?

The talk about the area once again is the merger of Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

I can recall a conversation of the late Powell Glass, Jr. Former owner and publisher of the Sea Coast Echo and Jimmy DeBlanc at Mestayer Lumber Company about how it would be good for a merger.

There were talking about the City of Bay St. Louis and the Town of Waveland becoming one city 45 years ago.

I can still hear the voice of Mestayer's bookkeeper saying, "not as long as I live."

Well that lady is no longer with us nor is Mr. DeBlanc.

Hurricane Katrina has changed a lot of things and even with conditions as they are, this may be the best time ever for the two cities to merge.

I have lived in both cities all of my life since I was raised in Waveland and went to school, shopped and attended church in Bay St. Louis. I also worked in both cities for over 50 years.

There are a lot of folks from both cities

with ties of some sorts.

There are far too many duplications of services. Both cities are now strapped with post-Katrina financing woes.

This could really be a new beginning for the area.

A new name always marks a new beginning too.

Possibly not incorporating either the Bay or Waveland in the new city name or some new combination of the two.

Think about it. How do you feel?

A big thank you goes out to the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT).

I could not believe my eyes Tuesday morning as I travelled Highway 603 to Kiln.

There were so many MDOT vehicles and workers on one of the major business corridors.

I never thought MDOT had so many state-wide vehicles and employees.

They sure did a good job in changing the appearance of Highway 603. Thank you again MDOT.

Mississippi vs. Louisiana

What we need least of all in our hurricane-stricken Mississippi-Louisiana area of the Gulf South is for politicians or journalists to frame our struggle for massive federal help as a bidding match between the two states.

It's a grave disservice to the suffering thousands in the two neighboring--and traditionally allied--states for anyone here to paint Louisiana as the bad guys because its plea for federal recovery funding is several times larger than ours and we're the good guys because ours is smaller.

Louisiana's two senators, one a Democrat, the other a Republican, laid before Congress what is actually only a "blue-print" for long-term relief and recovery that has an ultimate price tag of \$250 billion. Mississippi's request so

far is more modest, varying from Gov. Haley Barbour's \$33 billion to \$36 billion by Sen. Thad Cochran.

Apologists for George W. Bush's callously slow response after Katrina hit want us now to believe that the size of Louisiana's request is what is impeding Bush and his Republican-controlled Congress from helping Mississippi.

What I heard famed Mississippi trial attorney Dick Scruggs say here the other day about our post-hurricane aid dilemma comes much closer to why, 100 days after Katrina, our two states are still begging.

Eyes on Mississippi

by Bill Minor

Unlike politicians or bureaucrats, the wealthy, well-informed Scruggs doesn't need to parse his words or pull his punches in critically assessing the performance of governmental leaders or programs they administer.

Pure and simple, Scruggs said, we in Mississippi and Louisiana, even in this time of our great need, are considered expendable by the Bush Administration because we do not have enough political muscle to get Bush's attention.

And the Coast attorney made clear another reality many Mississippians don't acknowledge: that

Bush's war in Iraq remains his top priority (it's price tag soon to reach \$400 billion) and we in the battered Gulf South despite this nation's greatest natural disaster are playing second fiddle.

Scruggs' observations are more telling in view of the fact that Mississippi Sen. Trent Lott, the ex-majority leader of the Senate, is his brother-in-law. Lott, surprisingly, has turned into a strong critic of the administration's Katrina response efforts.

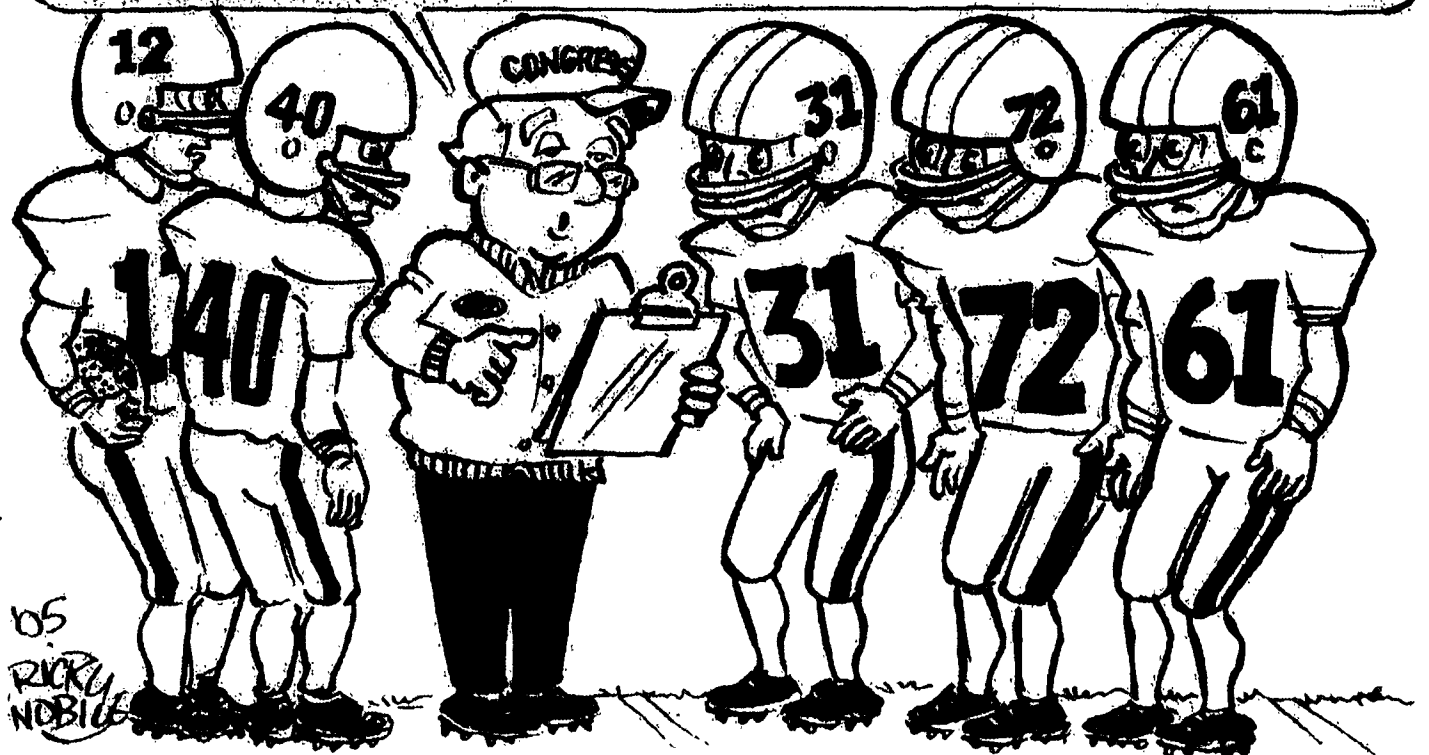
In Mississippi we feel we have a good case for recovery need with the gripping pictures of a wiped-out Waveland, or Bay St. Louis or miles of devastated homes and businesses elsewhere along the Gulf Coast.

But if we get into a bidding contest with Louisiana's case--of

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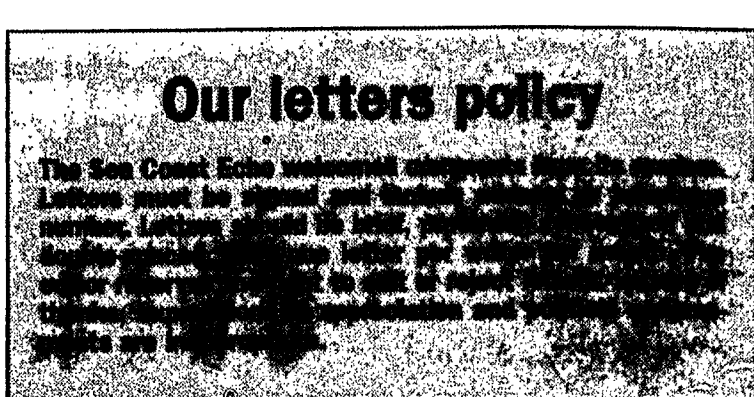


Letters to the Editor

Please help us, Mr. President

Please Mr. President sign Congress's appropriation for the Federal Flood Fund to be able to borrow money so that the insurance companies can pay their flood insurance claims.

You have been in China, came back and fried a turkey, went to Crawford, TX for Thanksgiving, lit the National Christmas Tree, and now you're at Camp



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pay them.

We sit in a FEMA camper unable to do anything to our property until we receive money from our insurance company that is due to us.

Go back to your office. please Mr. President, and sign the bill.

PS - If you have already signed this bill, thank you.

Thank you
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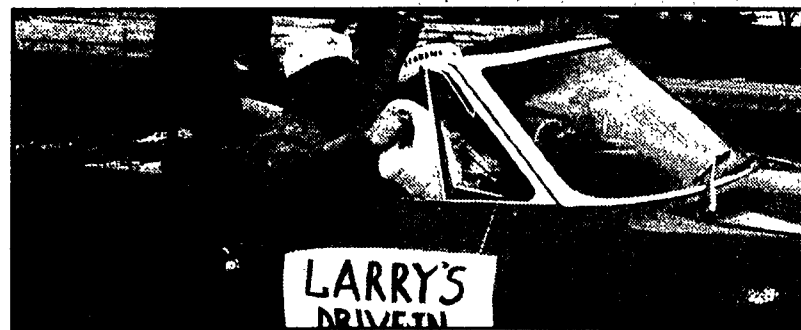
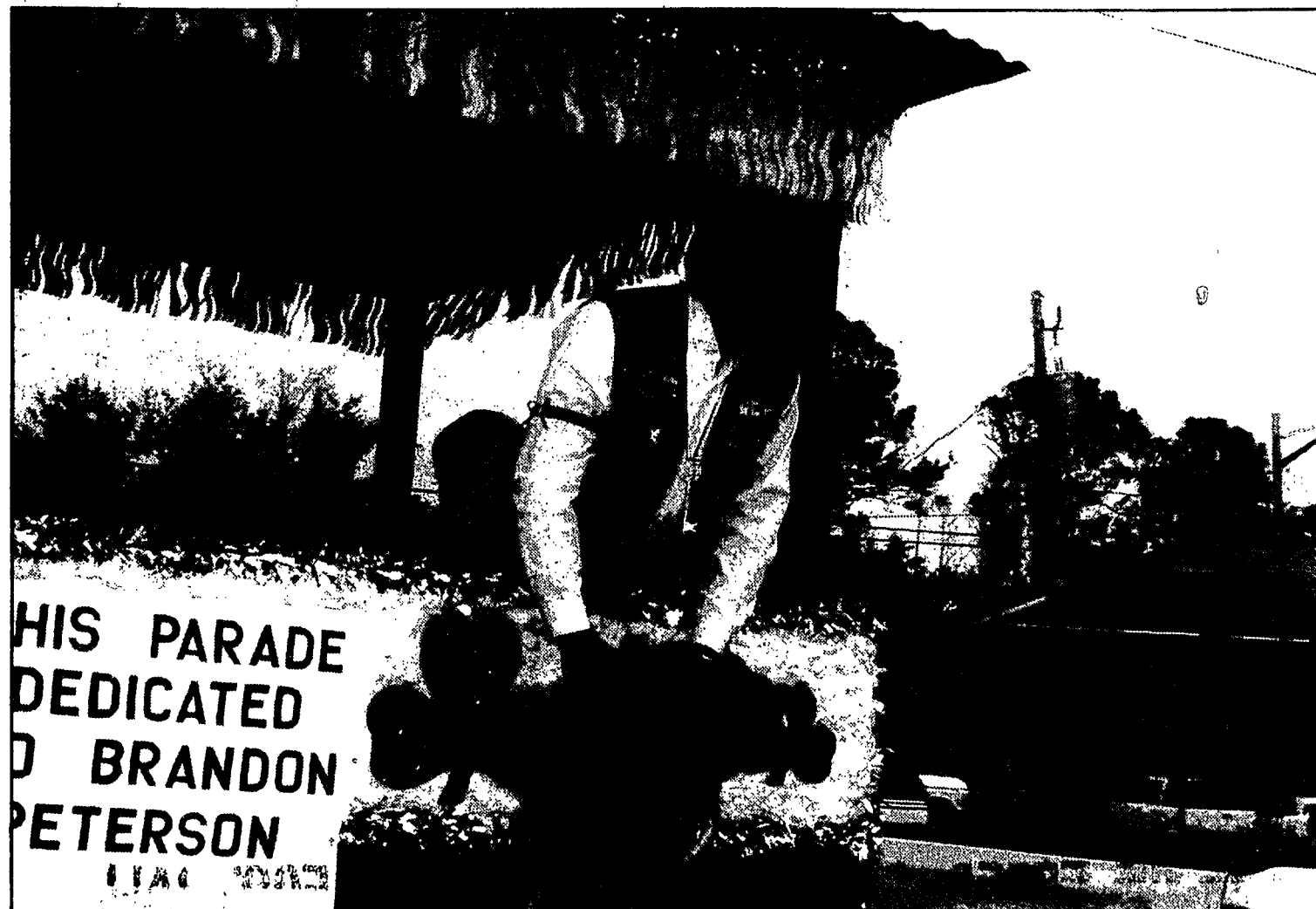
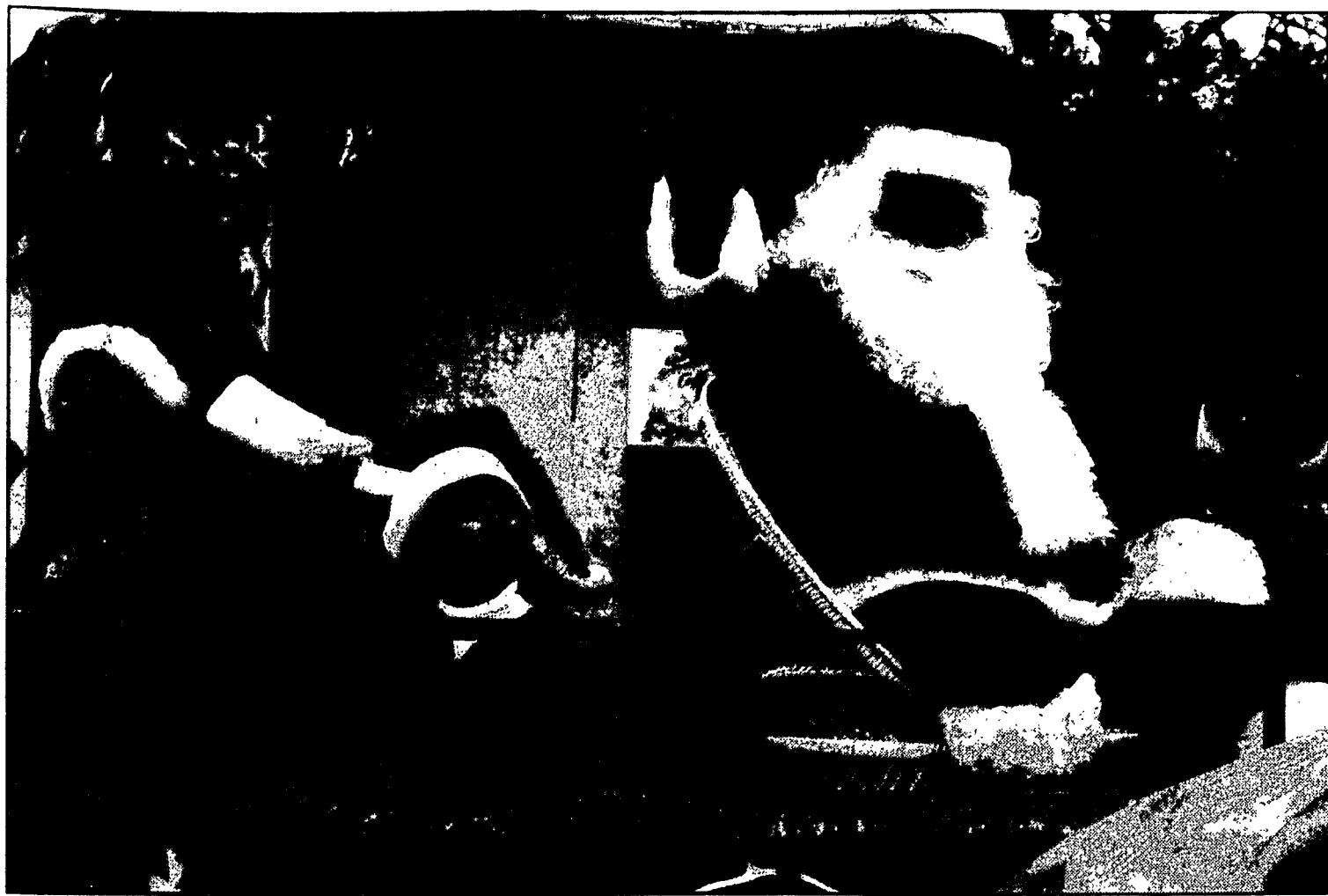
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Christmas Parade



Thousands showed up Saturday for the Waveland Civic Association's annual Christmas Parade. This year, the event was dedicated to Brandon Peterson.

Echo staff photos by Dwayne Bremer

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which New Orleans is a big part--we are no match for the post-Katrina images that have mesmerized the nation, that New Orleans, one of America's great, inimitable, lovable cities now could die.

Americans don't want that to happen, and if it possible for public opinion to move Congress and a national administration to act, it won't. We in Mississippi necessarily are in the same boat with New Orleans, as well as other parts of Louisiana that were battered by Katrina, then took a second hit from Rita.

If we are to draw comparisons, Louisiana suffered six times the number of fatalities as Mississippi, and had four or five times as many businesses destroyed.

Consider this single item: what caused the greatest damage to the New Orleans area was the failure of a levee system built by the Corps of Engineers. To rebuild it to withstand a Category 5 hurricane, with needed drainage canals would cost \$32 billion.

Dick Scruggs was right: Neither Mississippi nor

Louisiana has the political clout to get the kind of help we need under this administration, no matter that President Bush in his ballyhooed September Jackson Square speech, vowed that "we will not only rebuild...we'll build better."

Bush has failed to deliver on his promise, offering only a \$17 billion Katrina relief package, which even Republican loyalist Thad Cochran calls a paltry sum.

When GOP uber-loyalist Haley Barbour says his state's recovery efforts are "stalled because of inaction in Washington," you know things are really bad. Frustration has begun to set in, even with those who early on painted a rosy scenario of how their good friend in the White House would come through for them.

Maybe Thad, as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, should do what Dick Scruggs suggested: shut down all appropriations hearings until Bush throws full support behind substantive federal help so this stricken region can begin

to recover and build anew.

My journalist friend Charlie Mitchell in a recent column made mockery of some of the items in Louisiana's requested disaster needs, one of them being \$23 million for sugar cane research.

That caught my eye, since I had recently spoken with a young lawyer from Baton Rouge who is a native of Louisiana's sugar belt. He alerted me to what devastating blows the sugar industry, which represents a \$1.8 billion share of Louisiana's economy, had suffered from both Katrina and Rita.

Delving further, I learned that 50,000 acres of sugar cane ripe for harvest had been hit, first by salt water incursion from one storm and flattened by wind in the other, representing a \$700,000 loss to sugar cane growers and the sugar industry and gravely endangering the cane root stock.

Now the sugar industry needs federal help, and with it, modernizing the USDA's 50-year-old sugar research station. No giveaway there, Charlie.

Christmas Events

Saturday, December 17, CHRISTMAS IN THE KILN, a Christmas party for the children of Hancock County. Sponsored by the businesses in the Kiln. At the Hancock County Arena, from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. For more info, contact Cherie Sadler at 228-586-0479 or 228-323-2924.

Saturday, December 17, CHRISTMAS FEST FOR KIDS, sponsored by the City of Bay St. Louis. At the Historic Bay St. Louis Depot from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday, December 18, CHRISTMAS ON THE COAST, sponsored by the City of Waveland. At Buccaneer State Park on Beach Boulevard. Snow, games, gifts, food and drinks. For more info, call Kathy Pinn, 228-332-2270.



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Building permit process changes

Bill Carrigee, Code Enforcement Officer, for the city of Bay Saint Louis has announced new hours of operation in the Permit Office's location on the second floor of the city's historic Depot, 1928 Depot Way, at the intersection of Bookter St. and Blaize Avenue. Office hours are 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

NEW STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joining the existing building staff are Donna Billingsly, formerly with Alcan Cable and Mary Ann Barbetta, formerly with the city's utility department. Both clerk's can assist clients with all trade permits for new or restoration construction in the city post-Katrina. Charlene Black continues in her position of issuing permits, and contractor and city business licenses. Tom McConnell joins Bill Breeden and Rick Trudell on the inspection staff.

TESTING SCHEDULES

Individuals wishing to be tested for plumbing, general contractor, electrical, heat/air must reserve their space for testing done the last Thursday of each month at the depot. Applicant fees and testing times will be given at time of reservation. Contact Donna Billingsly, 463.7120, for more information.

Carrigee regularly schedules trade classes



Building Department staff. Center front, Bill Carrigee, Code Officer. Left to right, Donna Billingsly, Rick Trudell, Charlene Black, Bill Breeden, Mary Ann Barbetta, and Tom McConnell. Bill Carrigee, Code Enforcement Officer, for the city of Bay Saint Louis has announced new hours of operation in the Permit Office's location on the second floor of the city's historic Depot, 1928 Depot Way, at the intersection of Bookter St. and Blaize Avenue. Office hours are 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

prior to testing. Billingsly also has information on

upcoming classes. The 2006 schedule will be announced at a later date.

"Bay Saint Louis has made every effort to assist our residents, their contractors and new businesses that have come to the city since Hurricane Katrina meet all safety and code requirements in an efficient and economical manner. We have had the assistance of inspectors from throughout the country to inspect all remaining homes and buildings to help in our determinations of the best way to help our citizens protect their remaining property and their new investments.

As with everything else, patience is required. We are working as quick-

ly as we can, being diligent in our duty to protect this city from any further losses," said Carrigee. "Our additional staff has helped to streamline the permitting and inspection processes. We are here to serve, please call us if you have questions or problems that you think we can appropriately address."

NEW PERMIT POLICY

"Since the first day after Hurricane Katrina the City of Bay Saint Louis has issued all construction trade permits at no charge to builders and property owners in an effort to help our citizens get back on their feet. Effective January 16, 2006 standard permit fees will be installed," announced Mayor Eddie Favre.

Building and heat and air permits are computed on the dollar value of the project. Electrical permits are computed per meter and plumbing permits are based on the number of fixtures installed. Fence permits are \$5.

All work in Bay Saint Louis must be permitted. This process is required to insure the protection of citizens that work being done on their property will be inspected to confirm that all materials and work meet building code specifications.

For more information on permits please contact the Building Permit Office, 228-463-7120. The office is located on the second floor of the city's Depot, 1928 Depot Way, with hours from 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Kiln Cowboy Christas Parade Sunday

The 12th Annual Kiln Cowboy Christmas Parade and VFW Childrens Christmas Party will be held Sunday Dec. 18. Our parade will be held in memory of Robert Moran who passed away 3 days after Hurricane Katrina. Robert had been organizing the parade since 1998 when he took

over for his brother Eddie Moran who passed away January 20 of that year. The parade has grown in the last 12 years from 1 or 2 wagons and a handful of riders to over 20 wagons and 100 riders.

The parade leaves the Moran's home on Old Kiln Picayune Rd proceeds to the

Annunciation Church and then circles back to the VFW where children can visit with Santa and enjoy cake and punch. The parade is horses and wagons only and anyone with a horse, mule or wagon is invited to ride, and there is no fee. It starts at noon sharp on Sunday, Dec 18., and will get to the VFW at about 2

p.m. For information please call, Becky Moran 255-6728, or ce11216-1415, Eugene Moran 21.6-5110 or Windi Moran Miller 493-6813.

Hancock Chamber After Hours

Thursday, December 15, 2005 - Business After Hours at Uptown/Hairworks, 402 Dunbar Avenue, Bay St. Louis, from 5-7 p.m. For more info, contact Ginger Scharp at 467-6998.

250 volunteers needed for playground reconstruction

The playground at the Old City Hall in Bay St. Louis, damaged by Hurricane Katrina, will be reconstructed on Saturday, December 17. To undertake the rebuilding of this playground, used by Bay St. Louis area children, there is a request for 250 people to provide volunteer labor. The playground is located behind the Old City Hall, 301 North 2nd Street, in Bay St. Louis. People can park at the Depot and walk over to the playground.

The non-profit organization, KaBOOM!, has donated the playground equipment and organized this playground rebuilding event.

People can sign up at the site at 8 AM and breakfast will be served.

The volunteer workers will be needed until 3:00 PM and please wear comfortable clothing. Snacks will be served. Children are welcome and there will be activities for them throughout the day.

A ribbon cutting for the rebuilt playground will be held at 2:30 PM.

Other ways for people to get involved include:

1. Bring general building tools such as shovels, rock rakes, cement hoes, post hole diggers, drills and wheels barrows.

2. Bring baked goods to serve throughout the day as snacks.

3. We need people to help set up and organize the food for the 250 volunteers.

To sign up or for more

information you can call Jo Gilmore at 228-493-1034 or Nell Frisbie at 228-493-2024 or the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce at 228-467-9048.

Holiday Ballet Gala Saturday

There will be a Holiday Ballet Gala featuring Ian Carney and Eleanor Bernard, with Ballet Theatre South and Coast Youth Ballet Ensemble this Saturday, Dec. 17, at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Saenger Theatre for the Performing Arts. Under the direction of Sharon Loiacano. Tickets at the Ballet Theatre School or call 822-0490.

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NOTICE OF MEETING CHANGE OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN:

Let it be known that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waveland have changed their regularly scheduled meeting from Wednesday, December 21, 2005, 6:30 p.m. at the City of Waveland Municipal Complex, corner of Central and Coleman Avenues, Building #9 (Board Room) to Thursday, December 15, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. The first January 2006 Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 3, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the same location, Building #9, mentioned above.



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Sports

Bay's Adam & Pass' Bowser headline 2005 All-Sea Coast Echo football team

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The 2005 version of the All-Sea Coast Echo team is a testament to the resiliency of the community in which we live, work and play. On August 29th, the nation's most devastating and costliest natural disaster came ashore in the form of Hurricane Katrina. However, what has risen from the rubble of Katrina is what is so gratifying.

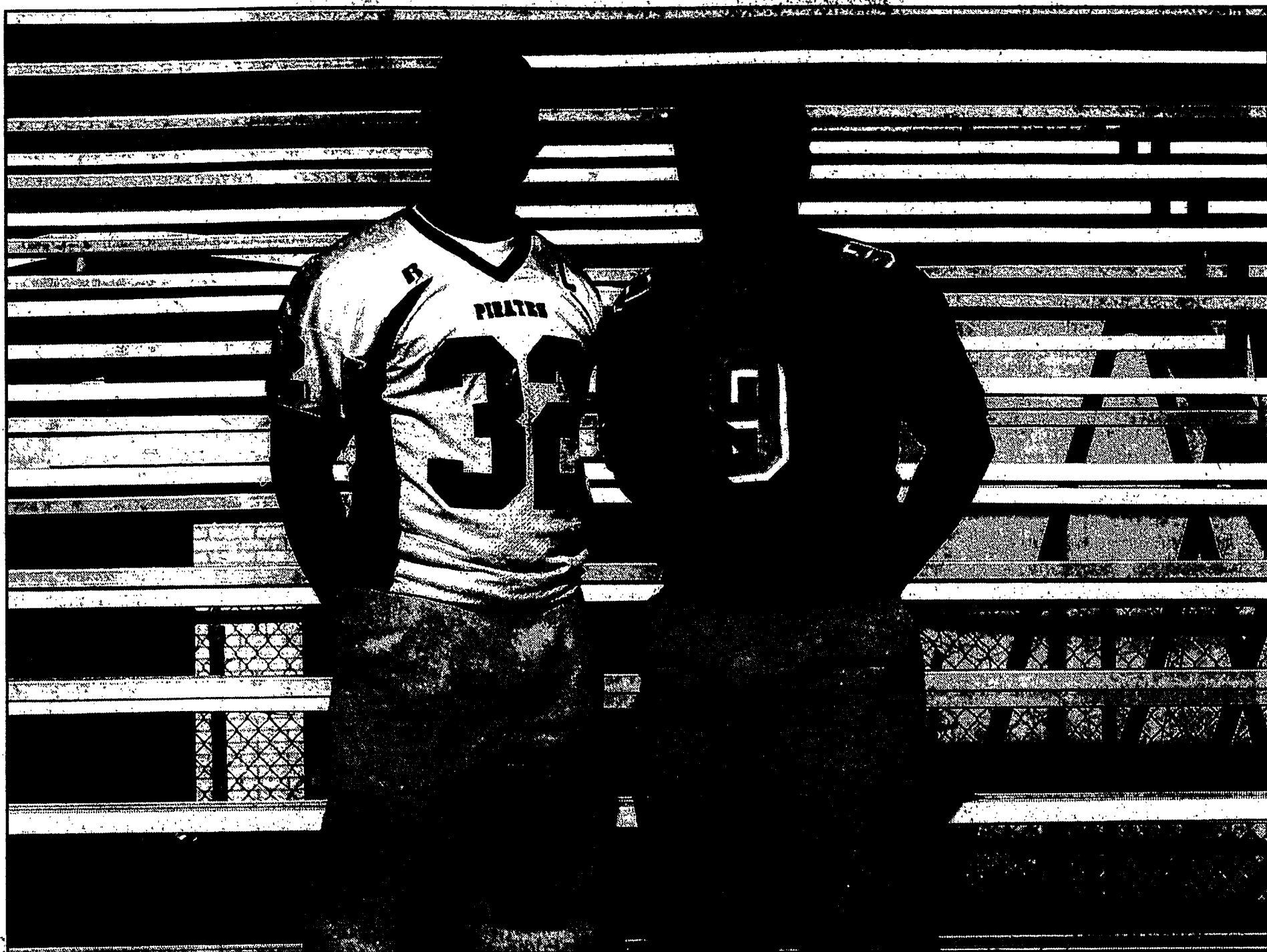
There were questions of what may happen immediately following the storm; however the community rallied together and Friday night entertainment was provided free of charge at the local football stadiums.

This year's team is made up of players from Bay High, Hancock and Pass Christian. The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws cancelled their football season following Katrina due to the devastating effects the school, its facilities and student body suffered. However, in a unanimous vote by the newspaper's sports staff, the newspaper has bestowed honorable mention status to the entire St. Stanislaus football team as they were unable to compete on the gridiron this season. No certificates will be passed out, just a gesture of respect for the players and coaches whose promising season was wiped out with the storm surge.

The SSC players were displaced by the storm and took refuge where they could. Many of the players did play a football season only it was for another team and in a different uniform color. Six players helped lead St. John to the Class 1A South State championship game - Zach Elkins, David Grapusa, Eric Lichenstein, Phillip King, Sean Bentz and Chad Boos. J C Brignone anchored the line for Parkview in Atlanta and helped lead his team to the state playoffs. He has verbally committed to play for the Mississippi State Bulldogs. Lance Cuevas went to Fairhope and earned the starting quarterback job and led the Pirates to the playoffs.

Mario Martinez, Buddy Schultz, Kyle Hughes, Matt Matranga and Bryce Morreale stayed home and played for local teams. Martinez suited up for the Hawks while the other four donned the royal blue and yellow for Bay High.

The Bay High Tigers put themselves in a position to claim the Division 8-4A title down the stretch following Katrina



The Sea Coast Echo Offensive Player of the Year is Pass Christian High School's Jaren Bowser, left. The Defensive Player of the Year is Bay High School's Trevor Adam.

only to see their title hopes falter on a handful of big plays. The Hawks improved each game but showed their youth in many areas. The Pirates who lost everything, including their field, mustered their strength and entertained the crowds each Friday night under the lights.

The first-team offense is led by Player of the Year Jaren Bowser of Pass Christian.

Bowser was Pass High's workhorse on both sides of the ball. He was the nucleus that the Pirates revolved around. On offense, the four-year starter, rushed for 581 yards on just 76 carries which equates to a 7.63 average per carry.

Other members of the first-team offense are lineman Teddy Morris (Bay High), Buddy Schultz (Bay High), Colin Miller (Hancock), Grey Provis (Pass Christian) and Donovan Saucier (Hancock).

Morris (6-1, 250lbs) has been a four-year starter on the line at Bay High while Schultz has started three years. Schultz (6-0, 240lbs) is a former SSC player who started his sophomore and junior seasons and finished his senior season with the Tigers after Katrina.

Provis (6-3, 175lbs) is a two-year starter while Miller (6-3, 340lbs) and Saucier (6-3, 290lbs) are both two-year starters at Hancock.

Tyler Brush of Bay

TEAM--PAGE 8

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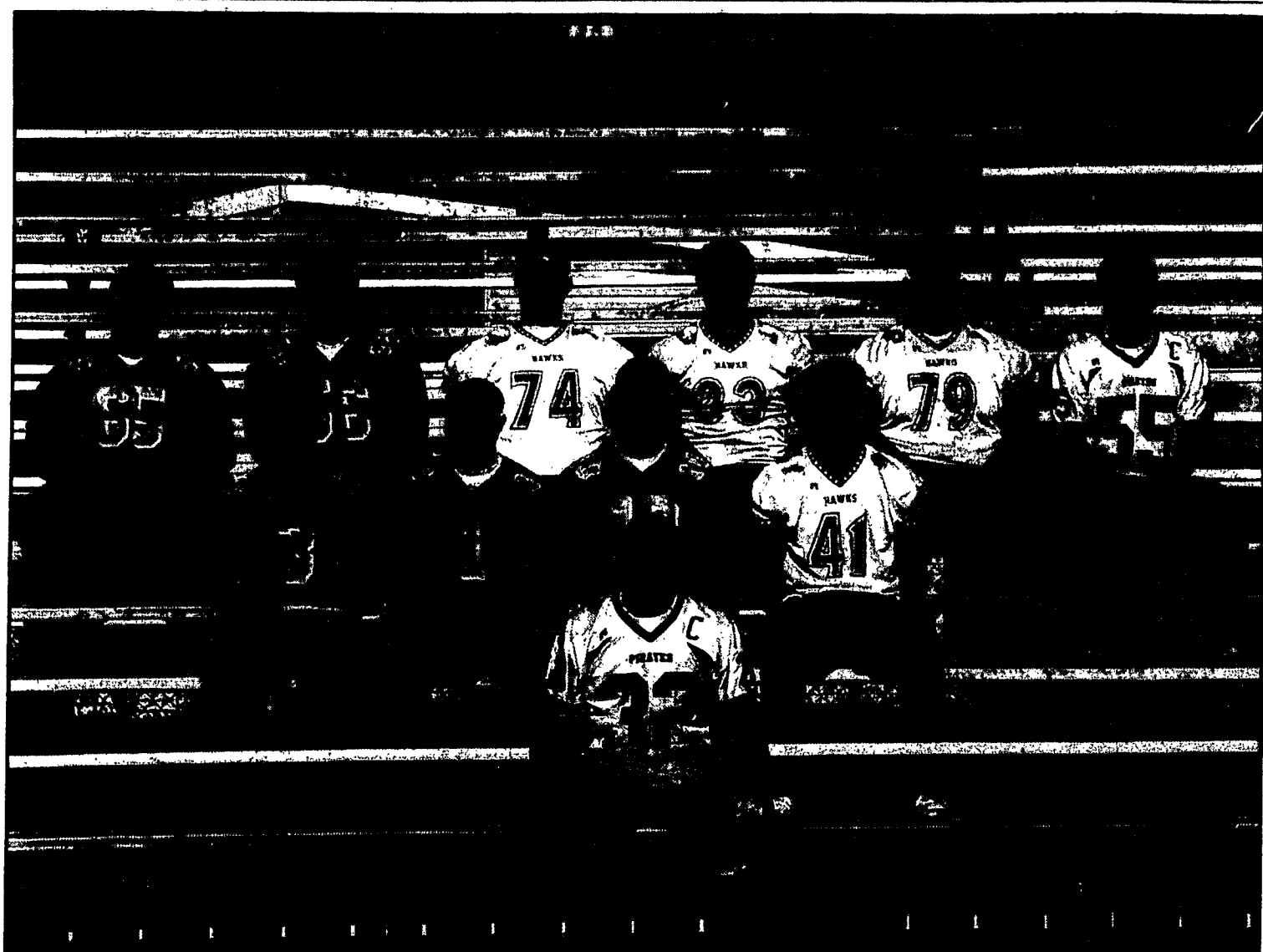


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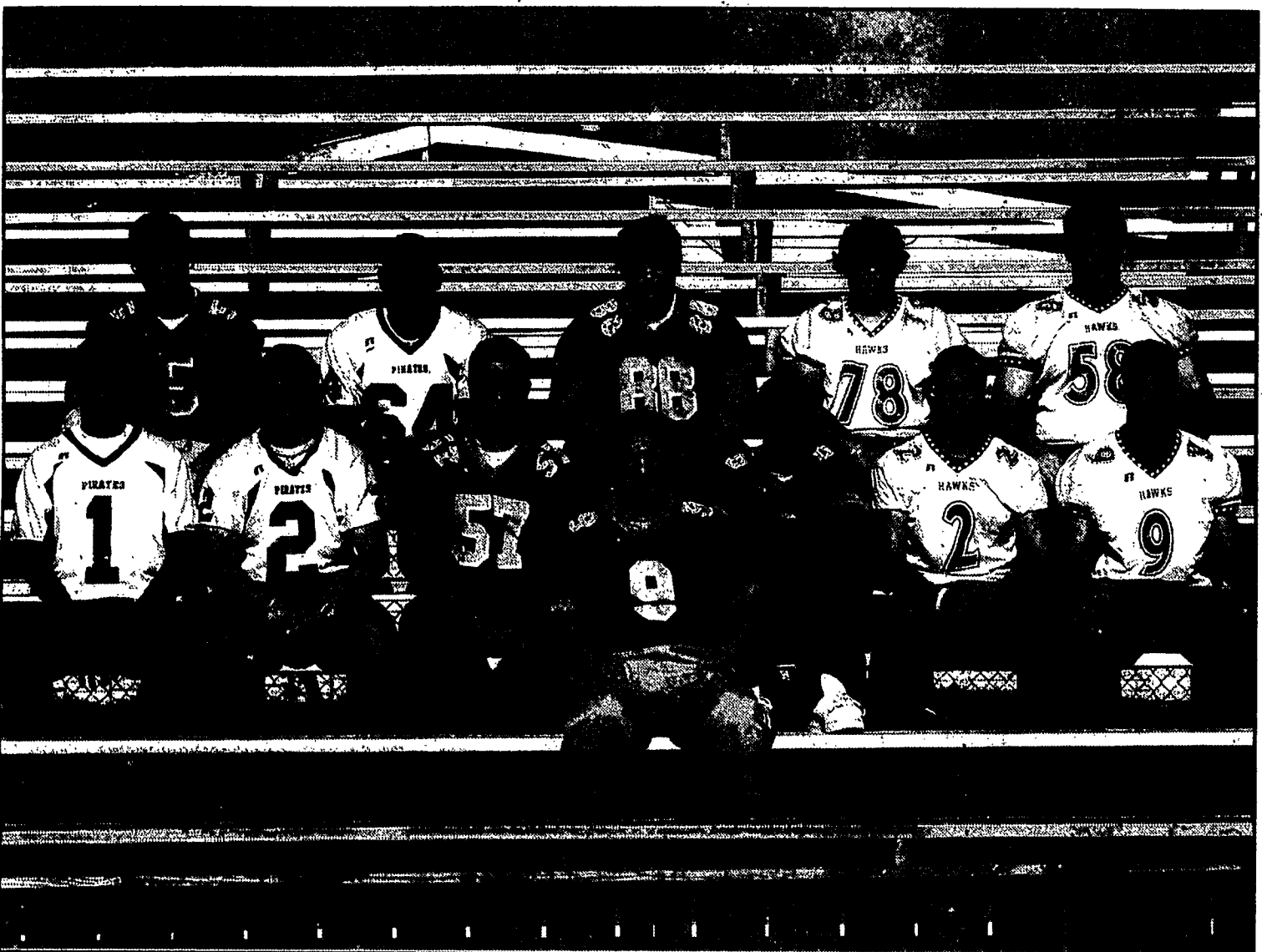
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The 2005 All Sea Coast Echo Offensive Team



The 2005 All Sea Coast Echo Defensive Team

Team -- All Echo

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High won the nod at the quarterback position and commanded a big play offense for the Tigers. He threw for 755 yards on 42-of-106 passing and 7 TDs.

At running back, Andrew Smith (5-10, 200lbs) of Hancock and Tony Connetti (5-7, 165lbs) of Bay High fill the backfield. Smith carried 123 times for 829 yards and two scores while Connetti added 623 yards on 93 carries and four TDs.

Chase McIver (6-1, 200lbs) of Hancock steps up to the line as the tight end. He had eight catches for 65 yards and a score in the Hawks rushing attack.

Robert Labat (6-2, 190lbs) of Bay High and Drew Malley (6-1, 180lbs) of Hancock are the wide receivers. Labat had 15 catches for 247 yards and two scores. Malley pulled down 14 passes for 171 yards and one score in his one year as a starter.

The honorable mention selections for the offense are Joseph Prima (OL-Pass Christian), Chad Moore (QB-Pass Christian), Shane Bowser (WR-Pass Christian) and Jason Sims (WR-Bay High).

The defense in 2005 is headlined by four-year starter and Player of the

Year Trevor Adam of Bay High. The hard-hitting linebacker for the Tigers recorded 115 tackles in just eight games. He had three games where he recorded 17 total tackles. Adam was the team leader in total tackles (115), solo tackles (34) and tackles for loss (20 for -73 yards).

On the defensive line are Kyle Hughes (Bay High), A.J. Swanier (Pass Christian), Kevin LaFontaine (Hancock) and Joe Necaise (Hancock).

Hughes (6-2, 250lbs) is also a displaced SSC player who finished his senior season with the Tigers. Hughes tallied 44 total tackles and 10 tackles for loss (-35). Swanier (6-1, 220lbs) was a three-year starter for the Pirates and tallied 23 total tackles and five sacks on the season. LaFontaine (6-1, 240lbs) has started for two years and added 31 tackles and five sacks in 2005.

Necaise (5-11, 245lbs) has started for one season in Kiln and tallied 14 tackles.

The other linebackers on the squad are Jonathan Willis (Pass Christian), Cory Thornton (Bay High), and Brently Necaise (Hancock).

Willis (5-10, 190lbs) has been a starter for two

years and recorded 44 total tackles and a sack in 2005. Thornton (5-10, 175lbs) is the other fireplug in the middle for Bay High. As a three-year starter, Thornton tallied 64 total tackles with 17 tackles for loss (-70) including 3.5 sacks in 2005.

Necaise (5-10, 180lbs) has started for Hancock for two years. He was the defensive leader for the Hawks in 2005 and recorded 80 tackles and two interceptions.

The defensive backfield consisted of Chaquille Lewis (Bay High), Chad Moore (Pass Christian) and Braxton Necaise (Hancock).

Lewis (5-6, 140lbs) had 23 total tackles and 3 interceptions. Braxton Necaise (6-1, 185lbs) recorded 23 tackles as a three-year starter for Hancock. Moore (5-10, 150lbs) was a versatile back for the Pirates recording 22 total tackles, two interceptions, four pass breakups and blocked a kick.

The punter/placekicker for the team is Bay High's Kyle Moran (5-10, 185lbs). The three-year starter suffered a season-ending knee injury in 2004 and rehabbed to lead the kicking game for the Tigers. Moran kicked 17/19 on PATs and boot-

ed 6/8 field goals.

The honorable mention selections on defense were Chris Jochum (DB-Hancock), Destin Johnson (DL-Bay High), Robert Labat (DB-Bay High), Grey Provis (DL-Pass Christian), Jaren Bowser (LB-Pass Christian) and Shane Bowser (DB-Pass Christian).

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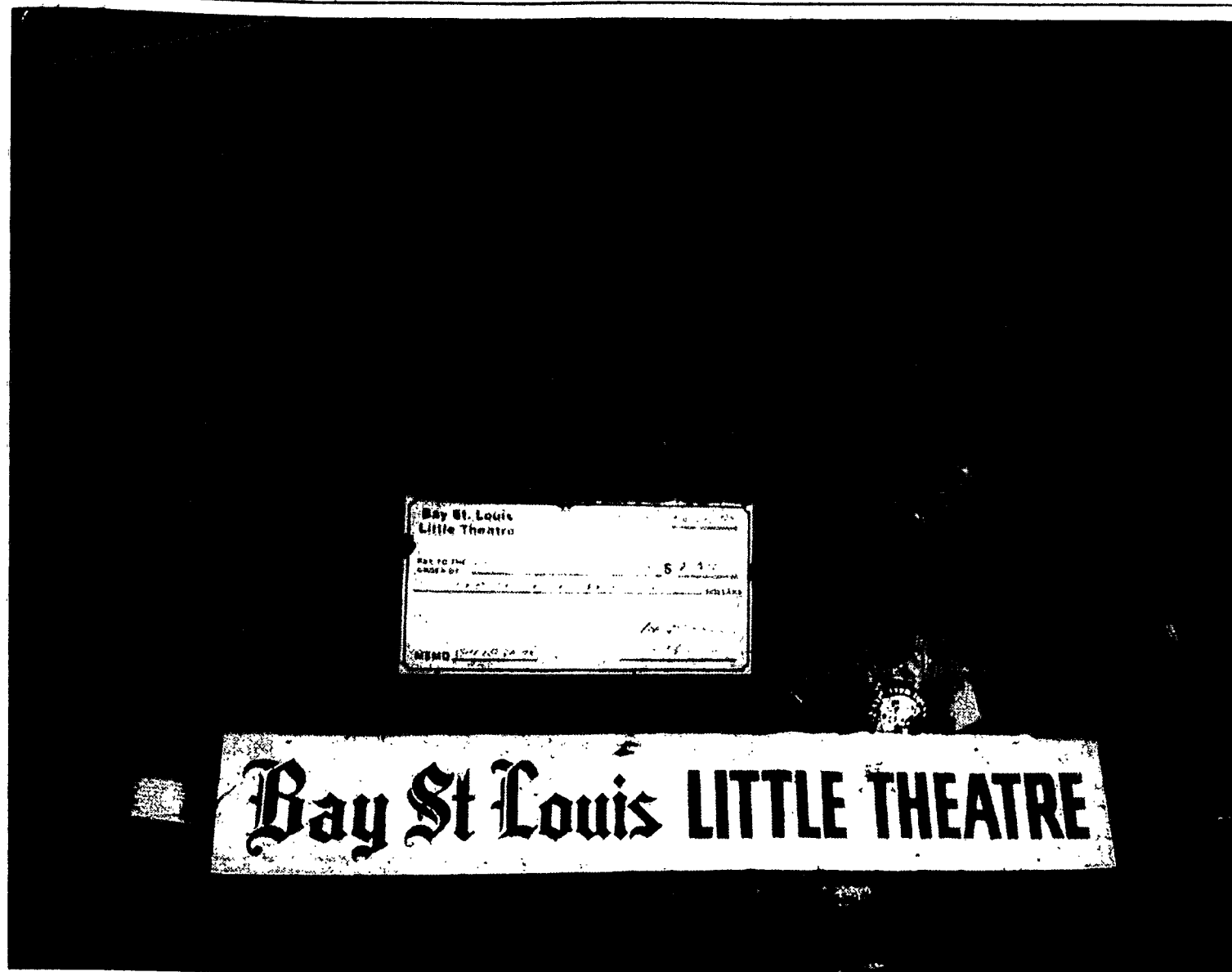
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Funds for commercial fishermen

The Northwest Atlantic Marine Alliance, a fisheries group from Saco, Maine, will donate \$25,000 to Mississippi commercial fishermen devastated by Hurricane Katrina. The Department of Marine Resources (DMR) will accept the checks to be distributed to fishing families throughout the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Go to Gulf Coast Community Federal Credit Union, 12364 Highway 49, Gulfport (on east side of Hwy. 49 just south of O'Neal Road) at 9:30 a.m., Friday, Dec. 16. Directions: Take I-10 to Highway 49 North. Will pass a Sonic restaurant on right. Take a right immediately past Northwood Hills residential community. Credit union is set off road, behind Northwood Hills in two-story brick building. (If you pass TD Pharmacy and O'Neal Road you've gone too far.) NAMA is a non-profit alliance of fishermen, scientists and others dedicated to restoring and enhancing an enduring northwest Atlantic marine system.



Gwen Impson, president of The ARTS Hancock County, accepts a \$1,500 donation from the board of directors of the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre.

BSLLT to host Christmas show

SEA COAST ECHO
The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre Board of Directors and members performed a final salvaging attempt at the theatre site on Saturday, Nov. 12.

The sixty year old theatre was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. The roof and walls collapsed on the lobby, stage, and seating area. The building was moved off of its pilings. The theatre group hoped to find any theatre historical mementos before the Army Corps of Engineers is permitted a final cleanup entry. The effort produced findings of an Alice Mosely painting and some furniture. However, a Talley Johnson sculpture that was specially commissioned for the "Take a

Seat" fundraiser was not found.

On the same day, the Board of Directors made a donation presentation to the Arts Society on the theatre site.

The Board presented Gwen Impson, president of the Arts Society, a \$1500 donation to Arts of Hancock County Disaster Relief Fund. The Fund gives financial aid for the living needs of the local artists. The Board considered the Arts Society a sister organization and wanted to show its support for its fellow artists. The Arts Society was key in the successful "Take a Chair" fundraiser for the Little Theatre building fund.

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will hold a Christmas show free to

the community on Saturday, December 17th at 5PM at the First Missionary Baptist Church located at Third and Sycamore Streets in Bay St. Louis. The Christmas show will include traditional holiday songs performed by local artists as well as Christmas readings of "The Grinch who Stole Christmas" and "Singin, and Swingin, and Gettin Merry for Christmas" by Maya Angelou.

There will be an opportunity for sing-alongs. The choir of First Missionary Baptist Church and St. Rose de Lima Church will be performing. The song "The Twelve Days of Katrina" written by local residents will be introduced. The Little Theatre will give a Christmas gift of an

annual membership to everyone in attendance.

The Little Theatre will present its 2006 season. The shows will be "Dark Deeds at Swan's Place", a reprisal of last year's successful melodrama, and the musical "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown." The performance dates will be announced soon. The theatre's Board is currently searching for temporary venues to stage the shows.

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Deadline nears to apply for SBA disaster loans

SEA COAST ECHO
The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is reminding homeowners, renters and businesses that January 11, 2006 is the deadline to file physical disaster loan applications for damages from Hurricane Katrina.

To date, the SBA has approved more than 7,000 loans totaling over \$514 million to Hurricane Katrina victims in Mississippi. SBA disaster loans are the primary source of long-term recovery assistance after a major disaster is declared.

"Individuals and businesses that were affected by Hurricane Katrina are urged to visit one of the Disaster Recovery Centers set up throughout the area. Our staff will be glad to answer any questions about the disaster loan program, give you an application, and provide any extra help you may need or want in completing your application," said Frank Skaggs, Director of SBA Field Operations Center-East.

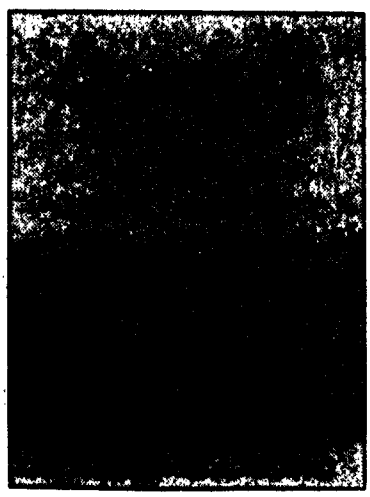
SBA offers loans up to \$200,000 to repair disaster damaged primary residences. Homeowners and renters are eligible for loans up to \$40,000 to replace personal property such as furniture, clothing and appliances. Loans to businesses of all sizes and non-profit organizations are available up to \$1.5 million to repair damage to real estate, machinery, equipment and inventory. Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) are also available to small businesses unable to pay bills or meet operating expenses because of the disaster.

Interest rates can be as low as 2.687 percent for homeowners and renters and 4.000 percent for businesses with terms up to 30 years. Loan amounts and terms are set by SBA and are based upon each applicant's financial condition.

Disaster victims are also reminded that to be considered for federal disaster assistance, including SBA's disaster loans, they must first call the Federal Emergency

Management Agency (FEMA) at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) and register.

Program information remains available by calling the SBA's National Customer Service Center at 1-800-659-2955 or 1-800-877-8339 for the hearing impaired. Business loan applications can also be downloaded from the SBA website at www.sba.gov/disaster. Completed applications should be taken to any of the Disaster Recovery Centers or mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, National Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Ft. Worth, TX. 76155.



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BERNT BASTIANSEN
JERRY CALHOUN
RITA HENLEY
EUGENE KITTLE
NEVILLE MCCORD

BERNT BASTIANSEN

Bernt Fredrick Bastiansen, 82 of Pearlinton, MS died Monday, August 29, 2005 in Pearlinton, MS.

He was a native of Norway and a resident of Pearlinton, MS for the past 40 years. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Pearlinton.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn Wilkerson Bastiansen; parents, Bernt and Ingeborg Bastiansen; and 2 brothers, James and Andrew Bastiansen.

He is survived by his brother, George D. Bastiansen of Marrero, LA; and a sister, Bernice Bide of Pearl River, LA.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, December 17, 2005 from 11 a.m. until 12:30 a.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St.

Louis, MS with a prayer service at 11 a.m. Burial will follow in Logtown Cemetery in Pearlinton, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge.

JERRY CALHOUN
 Jerry Mark Calhoun, 48 of Waveland, died December 10, 2005 after a brief illness.

He was born in Mobile, AL. He worked as a lawn service assistant.

He was preceded in death by his father Roy Austin Calhoun.

He is survived by his mother Oleta Marie Atkinson Calhoun; five sisters, Sandra Farmer, Linda Palmer, Ann Jackson, Sue Calhoun, and Patricia Brown; one brother, James Calhoun; one half brother, Bill Guffey, and many loving nieces and nephews.

A private memorial service will be held for the family.

RITA HENLEY
 Rita Hazel Henley, 85 of Bay St. Louis, MS

died on Sunday, December 11, 2005 in Oxford, MS. She was a native and lifelong resident of MS. She was a member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland, MS.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Robert F. Henley, Jr.; parents, Asa & Viola Farve Fayard; 2 brothers, Norvian and Lawrence Fayard; and a sister, Myrtle F. Tolluto.

She is survived by her children, Robert F. Henley, III of Bay St. Louis, MS, Eric A. Henley of Bay St. Louis, MS, Dianne H. Necaise of Bay St. Louis, MS, Cynthia H. Bolton of Orlando, FL, and Wanda H. Blanton of Gulfport, MS; brother, Asa Fayard, Jr. of Waveland, MS; 3 sisters, Vivian F. Choina of CA, Agnes F. Bourn of Bay St. Louis, MS, and Lorraine F. Rapp of Orlando, FL. She is also survived by 17 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and 1 Great Grandchild.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, December 14, 2005 from

10:00 am until 1:00 pm at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 2:00 pm at St. Ann Catholic Church in Lakeshore, MS. Burial will follow in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery and Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge of the arrangements.

EUGENE KITTLE

Eugene Kittle, III, 32 of Diamondhead, MS died on Saturday, December 10, 2005 in Diamondhead, MS. He was born in New Orleans, LA on June 13, 1973 and was a resident of Diamondhead, MS. He was of the Baptist Faith.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Joanne Irwin Kittle.

He is survived by his father, Eugene Kittle, Jr. and several Aunts and Uncles.

His services times will

be announced at a later time and will be held at Boone Funeral Home in Leland, MS. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS was in charge.

NEVILLE MCCORD
 Neville Patrick McCord, 75 of Diamondhead, MS died on Wednesday, December 7, 2005 in Diamondhead, MS. He was of the Catholic Faith.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Neville P. and Frances Losciuto McCord.

He is survived by his brother, Jerome

Pernicario of Diamondhead, MS and two sisters, Patricia Owens and Anna Maria Kerr both of St. Bernard, LA.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, December 15, 2005 from 9:00 am until 11:00 am at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS. A Prayer Service will be at 11:00 am. Burial will follow in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery and Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge of the arrangements.

'Katrina Christmas' brings safety challenges

With two weeks remaining until Christmas, fire and safety officials want all Gulf Coast residents to take a little extra care with this year's holiday decorations and preparations.

With thousands of Coast residents living in FEMA travel trailers, there are extra cautions to take into consideration.

Here are a few safety tips for holiday decorations.

- Make sure your Christmas tree is fresh at purchase; shedding needles in a sign of a dry tree.

- Keep your moist by placing it in a stand that holds water.

- Make sure artificial trees are flame-retardant.

- Never smoke or hang flammable decorations near your tree.

- Never put a tree in front of an exit.

- Buy electric

lights that are approved by a national testing lab and look for the "UL" tag. Always turn off or unplug lights before going to bed.

- Never run electrical cords through doorways or under rugs.

- Keep candles in a sturdy holder out of the reach of children or pets and away from combustible items like curtains or flower arrangements.

Cooking is the leading cause of fires and fire injuries in structures, according to a study released by the United States Fire Administration in August 2005. This holiday season, families across the Coast will be preparing holiday meals in a much smaller kitchen.

Here are some more cooking safety tips.

- Keep holiday decorations away from the heat of the stove.
- Never leave

cooking unattended.

- Never throw water on a grease fire; the water will spread the fire not extinguish it.

- Turn pot handles in and away from a child's reach.

- Check batteries in smoke detectors. FEMA trailers should have two or three smoke detectors.

- Keep an "ABC" approved fire extinguisher in the kitchen and make sure it is charged and working properly. All FEMA trailers should come with an extinguisher.

The most important tip, in case a fire does break out, is to have an exit plan with at least two exits. Most FEMA trailers have a large emergency window that can be pushed out for additional exit. Rehearse this plan with all family members—especially children.

NYC performers to travel to Kiln Public Library

Children in Kiln will have an opportunity to enjoy the caroling and performances of Broadway singers and performers today, Thursday, December 15 at 10:30 a.m. at the Kiln Public Library.

The Bayou Tour is a project of the World Art Project, a non-profit group dedicated to bringing visual and performing arts to underserved, low-income individuals. They are traveling from New York City with a busload of 16 professional singers and performers

to sing and carol in some of the most neglected and forgotten areas of the hurricane-ravaged Gulf Coast.

For the New York City-based performers involved with The World Art Project, the first Christmas after Hurricane Katrina presents a special opportunity," said Liza Politi, World Art Project Cofounder and Creative Director. "This is our way of repaying the efforts, generosity and goodwill that Gulf Coast residents gave to New

Yorkers in the days and months after September 11."

Partnering with the grassroots aid group Disaster Corps, performance and caroling will take place in various locations, including tent cities, feeding centers, churches and libraries.

Local locations include the Morrell Foundation in Waveland, St. Augustine Seminary and the Depot, both in Bay St. Louis.

For more information contact the Kiln Public Library 228-255-1724.

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Drugs -- ten arrested at Bayside Park

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"James Schwartz had an outstanding warrant for possession of a controlled substance," Deputy Abe Long said Monday. "We got a tip he was at the residence. Upon our arriving there, a number of suspects fled on foot."

Inside the trailers, Narcotics Division Director Matt Karl said, officers found more than \$4,000 worth of crack cocaine; \$6,400 in cash; and drug paraphernalia, including what appeared to be crack pipes, a drug scale and several

syringes containing full of some sort of clear fluid. Karl said the fluid will be tested to determine its nature.

Those arrested include:

- Ashley Eskué, 20, of Bay St. Louis.
- Nicholas Schwartz, of Bay St. Louis.
- Sean Peneguy, 32, of Bay St. Louis.
- Tommy Peneguy, 45, of Bay St. Louis.
- Rodney Dardar, 41, of Kiln.
- Ricky Keeton, 32, of Kiln.
- James Arnold

Schwartz, 32, of Bay St. Louis.

• Grace Simpson, 38, of Bay St. Louis.

• Joshua Sky Hux, 29, of Bay St. Louis.

• Evange Sonia Schwartz, 32, of Bay St. Louis.

Each suspect was charged with possession of a controlled substance, cocaine, with intent to distribute and transported to the Pearl River County Jail, where he or she will be held on a \$75,000 bond.

Long is in charge of the continuing investiga-

tion. The sheriff's department was assisted at the scene by officers of the Waveland Police Department and the Kentucky State Police.

The department is also seeking another suspect on an unrelated drug charge.

Karl said officers executed a search warrant on the home of Rayfield Vaughn at 17368 Carnation St. in the Silver Creek subdivision.

Karl said investigators believe "narcotics and illegal sales were going on in that location. We

located several shotguns, a small amount of cash and several rocks of cocaine on the premises.

"At this time, we have a warrant being issued for Mr. Vaughn on possession of a controlled

substance, crack cocaine; and also for the possession of firearms by a convicted felon."

Anyone with information is urged to call the sheriff's department at 228-467-5101.

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Trailer -- I want one

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Smith is one of many Coast residents who are still waiting for temporary housing from FEMA. Smith says that she is not mad about the long wait, but she is concerned that she may have gotten lost in the system.

"I got a call from FEMA after the storm," Smith said. "They told me that since my home and the area around it was destroyed that there was no need for anyone to come out to my home. They told me they would let me know something in seven to ten days. It's been almost four months, and nothing."

Smith said that she goes to the FEMA offices

daily, and that the workers know her by name, but she still has not had any results.

With no water, phone, and only limited power at her address on Sears Ave, Smith would like to see FEMA bring her trailer to her residence in Ocean Springs, so that she can remain close to her family. She has not yet decided whether she will rebuild.

"I don't want to be alone," Smith said. "I would feel alone here in Waveland, because there are only a few people left in this neighborhood. Being close to my family, and having my own trailer would give me

time to decide whether or not I want to rebuild. I just need some time, I love Waveland, it's a wonderful place, and that is why I moved here in the first place. I know it may take years, but I still want to be here."

Smith said that she has had a hard time with her insurance company, and FEMA will not do anything until she has settled with the insurance.

"State Farm told me that they were not paying my homeowners or wind, only flood," She said. "If I paid for all three, then why can I not get all three? I just don't understand."

"Then they told me I

needed to keep paying my premiums or I would lose the insurance. Insurance for what? I have nothing left."

Smith said she will wait as long as necessary, and she thinks that she has been looked over because others are more needy.

"I can't talk bad about them, they have been doing a good job for a lot of people. I would hope that they are giving the trailer to people with families and small children first. I would just like to know something instead of being strung along," Smith said.

Courthouse -- saved

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major damage during Hurricane Katrina, but in an ironic twist, the courthouse may be saved because of its age.

"The courthouse is on the National Register of Historic Buildings," said Hancock County Chancery Clerk Tim Kellar. "FEMA will assist in the restoration, as long as the building is sound. Our initial estimates have shown that the courthouse is still sound."

After Katrina, Kellar and his staff moved three different times, until the Army Corps of Engineers delivered and

installed temporary trailers on Longfellow Dr. for most county offices.

Kellar said that the initial damage estimate for the courthouse is somewhere around two or three million dollars. Help from FEMA should allow the county to restore the building, but Kellar is unsure how long it will be before construction can begin. Less than two years ago, the county renovated the courthouse with more than one million dollars in upgrades. FEMA claims that in the months since the storm, more than 160 structures have

been installed and turned over to local communities, in six counties. There are 44 more structures still in construction.

"This was a top priority for the state of Mississippi and the federal government," said Elizabeth Ivy, Corps Mission Manager for Temporary Public Structures. "Returning the operation of local governments and public services has contributed to communities resuming business as normal."

Many of the temporary buildings are 24-feet-by-60-feet and they are outfitted with utilities, heat-

ing, air conditioning, phone and internet. Some police and fire departments have received mobile homes as well to support their operations. There are 26 trailers that make up the Hancock County complex.

"FEMA and the Corps have really stepped up for us at a time when we didn't have resources available," Kellar said. "We are able to provide services to the county residents right now. It is not ideal, and we would rather be back at the courthouse, but that may take some time."

UM opens Gulf Coast business center

The University of Mississippi announced Monday the opening of the Gulf Coast Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at a temporary location in Bay St. Louis, MS.

The Center serves the six counties of south Mississippi with training and information on how to start a business, expand their business, and conducts workshops on various marketing and management topics.

Doug Gurley, Director of the Small Business Development Centers for Mississippi says "for the past several months the SBDC has been involved with assisting people complete paperwork for SBA Disaster Loans for property damage and / or economic injury in several counties along the Coast."

Gurley continues "We are also happy to

announce that Teresa Speir who has been with the SBDC for almost two years has been named the new director of the Gulf Coast Center. We believe that because of her experience and knowledge of the area, that services will be restored quickly."

"We are happy to be back in our regular mode of operation," says Teresa Speir, Director of the Gulf Coast Small Business Development Center. "The disaster brought challenges to many of our businesses on the coast and it is leading people to open new businesses."

While the SBDC has a office in Bay St. Louis, they counsel clients in multiple locations across the south six counties. In addition to the Bay St. Louis location, clients can meet GC SBDC business counselors in

Gautier and Biloxi.

Speir asks that former clients contact the Center with current contact information about their business. Information about upcoming workshops in their area can be provided. People thinking about starting a business should contact the Center for a workshop, "Starting a Business."

For a list of upcoming workshops, call the Center at 228 466 9145 or email : gcsbdc@ole-miss.edu for information. Gurley continues, "The Gulf Coast Small Business Development Center has a new host institution. The University of Mississippi is the new host institution as the University of Southern Mississippi discontinued its participation in the program in October."

"We may have a new name, but we look for-

ward to continuing small business services to the south Mississippi", says Speir.



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Competition teams build robots, and rebuild sense of community

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Perseverance, desire, determination. Local high schools are using these words to express the grit — and the help — it will take to participate in the 2006 FIRST Robotics Competition.

The FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Competition officially begins Jan. 7 with a regional kickoff at NASA's Stennis Space Center near Bay St. Louis, Miss. During the kickoff, FIRST will present a game problem and parts kits to participating Louisiana and Mississippi teams who'll build robots for spring contests.

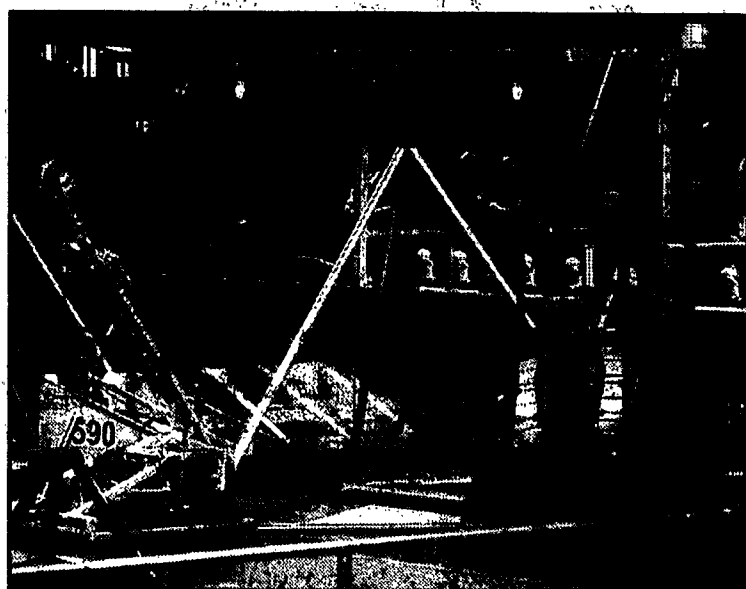
The competition aims to inspire students in the pursuit of engineering and technology.

In the weeks leading up to the kickoff, the school teams need to gather mentors, sponsors, tools, funds and dozens of other forms of support. They'll need help from every corner of their communities to design, build and program their robots in just six weeks.

NASA's Katie Wallace, Stennis' FIRST coordinator, said engineering mentors will be crucial during the six-week design and construction process, but other volunteers will be valuable, too.

"They don't have to be engineers," she said. "The teams will need help from people who can build Web pages, handle budgets, write reports, help brainstorm in planning sessions — anyone who's willing to give time to a school during the six-week construction period."

Before Hurricane Katrina slammed the Gulf Coast, the annual



NASA engineer and robotics mentor Jim Cluff and Gulfport High School students enjoy GHS' FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Exhibition in spring 2005. Because Hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast region, GHS and many other schools seek support from their communities to participate in the 2006 FIRST Robotics Competition. The competition kicks off in January; FIRST Robotics teams need volunteers now to raise funds and gather equipment. Engineers from NASA's Stennis Space Center will mentor participating Mississippi and Louisiana schools, but many more volunteers are needed. In a FIRST Robotics Competition, the robot is the culmination of an intense six-week building period that pairs high school students with local mentors. For information on FIRST Robotics or to volunteer with a local team, contact Katie Wallace at (228) 688-7744.

contest was educational, a fierce sort of fun. But in a post-Katrina world, the event carries new meaning. For many of the 15 Louisiana and Mississippi schools that will compete in 2006 events, FIRST Robotics will also mean another step toward normalcy.

Katrina devastated longtime participant Gulfport (Miss.) High School. For the past six years, the school's Team Fusion has depended on their lead design mentor for help making special parts.

The storm destroyed the mentor's fabrication shop, and forced the cancellation of the team's annual golf tournament fundraiser.

"Gulfport High has lost six years' worth of equipment and tools," Wallace said. "Luckily, they still have their determination and drive. All the teams in the hurricane-affected area are overcoming so much. They've lost equipment, facilities, mentors, sponsors and fundraising

abilities. They are in dire need of volunteers to help them."

Participating Louisiana schools face their own daunting problems because of the storm.

"FIRST is especially important this year after Hurricane Katrina," said Linda Skinner, who teaches physics and chemistry at Salmen High School in Slidell, La. "Most of my students had their homes destroyed by an 18-foot tidal wave. Nearly everything they owned and held dear is gone, including Salmen's school site."

The school was heavily damaged in the storm, and has been sharing the campus of Northshore High School across

town. Northshore has also assembled a team for the 2006 competition.

For more information about FIRST Robotics (and about teams in hurricane-affected areas), visit www.usfirst.org.

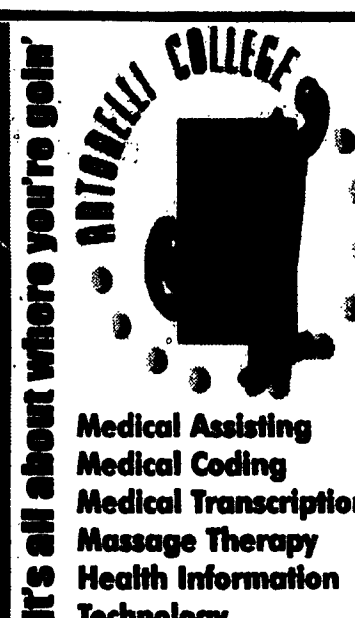
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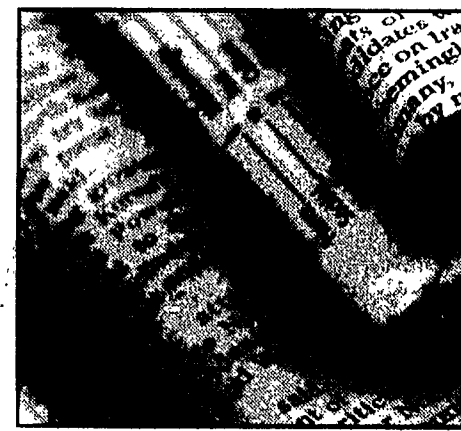
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VERSUS
MICHAEL A. WELCH

RESPONDENT
GILDA TACKETT and CHERYL RASBURY
INTERVENORS/MOVANT S
VERSUS
ROSEMARY ELIZABETH TACKETT, MICHAEL A. WELCH,
And JEFFREY RASBURY

RESPONDENTS
CAUSE NO. 2003-00030(3)
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
 COUNTY OF HANCOCK
 TO: ROSEMARY ELIZABETH TACKETT, MICHAEL A. WELCH and JEFFREY RASBURY

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Cheryl Rasbury and Gilda Tackett, seeking to terminate parental rights.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Martha G. Carson, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is P. O. Box 141, Biloxi, Mississippi 39533-0141.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 1ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2005, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 17 day of November, 2005.
 (SEAL)
 Tim Kellar,
 Hancock County Chancery Clerk
 Larrinell Scarborough
 12/01; 12/08; 12/15/2005

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,
BY ZADIE ROGERS, SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR,
AND TRAVIS GROS, MINOR,
BY AND THROUGH THEIR NEXT FRIEND, ZADIE ROGERS
PETITIONERS

VS.
KRISTY LYNN GROS AND UNKNOWN PUTATIVE FATHER
RESPONDENTS
CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. C2301-05-653(2)
CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
 TO: Kristy Lynn Gros and Unknown Putative Father, who are not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address are not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Human Services by Zadie Rogers, Social Services Regional Director, and Travis Gros, minor, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minor and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of

said minor be placed with the Hancock County Department of Human Services.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:30, O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 6TH DAY OF JANUARY 2006, IN THE COURTROOM OF THE HARRISON COUNTY CHANCERY COURT COURTROOM, 1801 23RD AVENUE, GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, BEFORE JUDGE MARGARET ALPHONSO, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 21 day of November, 2005.

(SEAL)
 TIMOTHY A. KELLAR,
 CHANCERY CLERK
 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
 BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI 39520
 BY: Larrinell Scarborough
 Deputy Clerk
 12/01; 12/08; 12/15/2005

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,
BY ZADIE ROGERS, SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR,
AND BRENNIA RENEE BEECH, MINOR,
BY AND THROUGH HER NEXT FRIEND, ZADIE ROGERS
PETITIONERS

VS.
MARK DEMPSEY HODA AND ANY UNKNOWN PUTATIVE FATHER
RESPONDENTS
CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. C2301-05-689(1)
CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
 TO: ANY UNKNOWN PUTATIVE FATHER, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Human Services by Zadie Rogers, Social Services Regional Director, and Brenna Renee Beech, a minor, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minor and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minor be placed with the Hancock County Department of Human Services. Respondents other than you in this action are Mark Dempsey Hoda.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:30, O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 11TH DAY OF JANUARY 2006, IN THE COURTROOM OF THE HARRISON COUNTY CHANCERY COURT COURTROOM, 1801 23RD AVENUE, GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

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and seal of said Court, this 21 day of November, 2005.

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 TIMOTHY KELLAR,
 CHANCERY CLERK
 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
 BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI 39520
 BY: Larrinell Scarborough
 Deputy Clerk
 12/01; 12/08; 12/15/2005

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,
BY ZADIE ROGERS, SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR,
AND MATTHEW RAYMOND KNOWLSON, JR.,
KELSEY BRIANNA KNOWLSON, MINORS,
BY AND THROUGH THEIR NEXT FRIEND, ZADIE ROGERS
PETITIONERS

VS.
CRYSTAL DARLENE GROS,
MATTHEW RAYMOND KNOWLSON, SR.

RESPONDENTS
CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. C2301-05-652(1)
CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Crystal Darlene Gros, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

TO: Matthew Raymond Knowlson, Sr., who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Human Services by Zadie Rogers, Social Services Regional Director, and Matthew Raymond Knowlson, Jr., and Kelsey Brianna Knowlson, minors, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Hancock County Department of Human Services.

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You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 22 day of November, 2005.
 (SEAL)
 TIMOTHY KELLAR,
 CHANCERY CLERK
 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JAMES BRITTON

PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
AMERICAN LEGION POST 058, and John Does 1, 2 & 3, and X,Y,Z Corporations

DEFENDANT
CAUSE NO.: C2301-05-821(1)
SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: AMERICAN LEGION POST 058

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by JAMES BRITTON, Plaintiff, seeking to obtain an annulment of lease agreement.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Zach Butterworth, Attorney for Plaintiff, of the firm HESSE & BUTTERWORTH, whose post office address is Post Office Drawer 220, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520, and whose street address is 141 Highway 90, Waveland, Mississippi.

YOUR RESPONSES MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN

THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 8 DAY DECEMBER, 2005, WHICH IS

THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS

NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 2 day of December, 2005.

(SEAL)
 TIM KELLAR,
 Hancock County Chancery Clerk
 By: D.L. Lee D.C.
 Prepared by:

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JAMES BRITTON

PLAINTIFF
TIFF VERSUS
AMERICAN LEGION POST 058, and John Does 1, 2 & 3, and X,Y,Z Corporations

DEFENDANT
CAUSE NO. C2301-05-821(1)
COMPLAINT TO ANNUL LEASE AGREEMENT

COMES NOW the Plaintiff, James Britton, who is an adult resident citizen of Hancock County, Mississippi, whose permanent home address is 2521 Highway 53, Perkinston, Mississippi, and files his Complaint to Annul Lease Agreement and would show unto this Honorable Court the following to-wit:

I. That the Defendant is American Legion Post 058, believed to be an unincorporated association located in Hancock County, Mississippi.

II. That on or about October 1, 1990, the said Plaintiff herein, James Britton, did enter into a lease agreement, together with his wife, Jonnie Britton, who is now deceased and Billy C. Anderson, his brother-in-law, to lease a certain piece of real property all as per the Lease Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", to the American Legion Post 58.

III. That at all times, the Plaintiff herein believed that the American Legion Post 58 was a corporation or legal entity and in good faith entered into the attached lease agreement.

IV. Additionally, at the time of the lease agreement, Plaintiff's wife was alive and she is now deceased as of 1998 and his brother-in-law at the time believed that he might have an interest in the property, but has since been determined that he had no actual legal interest in the property and that the property herein is owned solely by your Plaintiff herein, James Britton.

V. The intent of the lease agreement was that the American Legion Post 58 would sponsor and maintain an auxiliary fire station on the above described property.

VI. That the American Legion Post 58 has failed to maintain an auxiliary fire station

for several years and as such, pursuant to paragraph I of the lease agreement, that the lease should be declared null and void and that the property should revert back to the lessor herein, his heirs and assigns.

VII. The Plaintiff seeks that this Court declare the Lease Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" null and void.

VIII. Alternatively, Plaintiff seeks to annul the lease agreement in that the Defendant, American Legion Post 58, is without legal capacity to lease real property.

IX. Additionally, any improvements on said property should be the possession of the Lessor herein.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Plaintiff herein prays that this his

Complaint to Annul Lease Agreement be received and filed; that process issue for Defendant in the manner as required by law, requiring the Defendant to plead, answer or otherwise respond to this Complaint; and upon a final hearing hereon that this Honorable Court declare the lease agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" null and void and that any improvements on said property should be the possession of the Plaintiff herein. Plaintiffs prays for such other relief, both general and special, to which they may be entitled to in the premises.

Respectfully submitted this 26 day of October, 2005.

JAMES BRITTON
 By: Zach Butterworth (MS Bar# 9946)
 Attorney for James Britton
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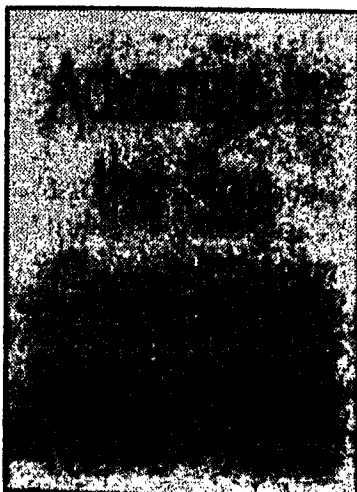
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 Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, in and for the aforesaid County and State, James Britton, who, after being first duly sworn, on oath states that the matters and facts set forth in the above and foregoing instrument are true and correct as therein stated.

JAMES BRITTON
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(SEAL)
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Insurance will only pay about \$12 million of the bill; federal government pledges financial assistance for district to rebuild

BY DWAYNE BREMER
Staff Writer

Wind and water damages from Hurricane Katrina could top 40 million dollars for the Bay-Waveland School District.

"Our figure is close to 41 million dollars, and that is really close to what the adjusters have come up with," said Superintendent Kim Stasny.

At Monday's meeting, Hal Arnold of Adjusters International told the board that damage estimates have been gathered in three layers according to insurance claims that the School District has in place. First the Mississippi Wind Storm pool has paid the school district one million dollars, and Lloyds of London has agreed to pay another four million. Arnold estimates the remainder of the damage to be around \$35 million.

"Our goal is to get a firm number within 30

days, the school district will be able to claim the uninsured losses with FEMA," Arnold said.

Stasny believes that the school board may receive as much as \$12 million from insurance claims, leaving a \$25 million to \$30 million dollar gap.

"We would hope that we can recover the rest of the money from FEMA, but their estimates may be different from ours," Stasny said.

The school board has received two million, and is awaiting three more at this time. With the influx of money, the school board agreed to pay some bills. The board agreed to pay Yates Construction 1.5 million dollars, as well as approving a contract for a new phone system.

"All the money we are getting is going right out," said board president Sherry Ponder.

"I hate to spend this money, but we have to do what we have to do," said board member David

Mayley.

Stasny informed the board that \$96,462 in donations have been collected since the storm. The money is being given out to various programs within the school district.

Mayley questioned if the attendance numbers were increasing any since the last report in November.

"Our attendance is up

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Members in attendance were Dr. Sherry Ponder, Mayley, and Cleveland Williams.

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